

ALL THE NEWS  
THAT'S  
FIT TO PRINT

## Baxter Springs News.

BOOSTS FOR  
BAXTER  
ALL THE TIME

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RED CROSS MEETING  
ANNUAL ELECTIONNew Executive Board to be Selected and  
Review of Work in Baxter Springs  
Since Organization.

The recapitulation of Baxter's work in this great cause is indeed a creditable showing as will be seen by the report of the secretary, which follows:

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

## Receipts and Expenditures

| RECEIPTS                             |           |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| War Fund:                            |           |           |
| 25% of First War Campaign Fund       | \$1319.91 |           |
| Amount transferred from General Fund | 30.64     | \$1350.55 |
| General Fund:                        |           |           |
| Memberships                          | \$1683.50 |           |
| Dances                               | 377.23    |           |
| Entertainments                       | 90.76     |           |
| Mitchell Banquet                     | 13.00     |           |
| Ford Car                             | 230.50    |           |
| Subscriptions                        | 700.85    |           |
| Carnival                             | 231.65    |           |
| Repaid by Home Service Dept.         | 50.00     |           |
| Miscellaneous                        | 72.85     | 3450.04   |
| Total Receipts                       |           | \$4800.59 |
| EXPENDITURES                         |           |           |
| Military Relief:                     |           |           |
| Hospital Garments and Supplies       | \$ 930.64 |           |
| Surgical Dressings                   | 752.17    |           |
| Knitting                             | 1085.25   |           |
| Comfort Kits                         | 7.09      | 2775.15   |
| National Headquarters membership     | \$ 842.25 |           |
| Home Service Department              | 350.00    | 1192.25   |
| Local Expenses:                      |           |           |
| Printing, Postage and Advertising    | \$ 146.69 |           |
| Express                              | 24.63     |           |
| Rent                                 | 40.00     |           |
| Miscellaneous                        | 69.88     | 281.20    |
| Total Expenditures                   | \$4248.60 | \$4248.60 |

Oct. 8th, 1918, Balance as shown by bank book \$551.99  
GRACE PERKINS, Secretary.

## HOME BOYS FUND

Handled by Miss Irene Dent, Separate from Other Funds

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Received from auction   | \$244.15 |
| Expense of Comfort Kits | 120.42   |
| Balance on hand         | \$114.73 |
| Comfort Kits Delivered  | 76       |
| On hand for delivery    | 24       |
| Number of Kits made     | 100      |

| Articles Donated or Loaned        |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Sewing machines                   | 11 |
| Rugs                              | 2  |
| Water Coolers                     | 2  |
| Stoves                            | 2  |
| Desk                              | 1  |
| Large Table                       | 1  |
| Scissors                          | 3  |
| Chairs                            | 6  |
| Shipping boxes for Hospital Dept. |    |
| Electric Fan                      |    |
| Twine                             |    |

| Miscellaneous Services Free of Charge                  |  |
|--|--|
| Repairing Plumbing at Library                          |  |
| Labor building shelves at Library room                 |  |
| Labor building shelves at Mitchell room                |  |
| Labor making boxes for Surgical Dressings shipment     |  |
| Hauling and drayage                                    |  |
| Two work rooms at Library                              |  |
| One room at Mitchell's Store                           |  |
| Use of G. A. R. Hall                                   |  |
| One room at Trece Building                             |  |
| Masonic Hall (colored)                                 |  |
| Ice for two coolers                                    |  |
| Labor building cabinet for Surgical Dressings workroom |  |

| OUTPUT OF BAXTER RED CROSS   |       |
|--|-------|
| From Organization in 1917 to October 8, 1918—Not Including Stock or Supplies On Hand |       |
| Surgical Dressings Department  |       |
| 4-tailed Bandages—Muslin   | 80    |
| Triangular Bandages—Muslin   | 86    |
| 7-yard Rolls—Muslin  | 16    |
| Gauze Compresses—4"x4"   | 4600  |
| Gauze Compresses—9"x9"   | 60    |
| Gauze Compresses—8"x4"   | 7575  |
| Gauze Wipes—2"x2"  | 22200 |
| Gauze Wipes—4"x4"  | 7050  |
| Many-tailed Bandages   | 14    |
| Scultetus Bandages—New   | 13    |
| Model  | 23    |
| Absorbent Pads 8"x12", Cotton  | 23    |
| Heel Rings   | 5     |

PEACE PROBLEMS  
DEATHS RESULT FROM  
HOSPITAL FIRE

Rahwat, N. J., Oct. 10.—Two officers were burned to death, four others severely burned and two badly cut and burned when a fire destroyed the officers' quarters in a base hospital at Colonia, three miles from here today.

Mrs. Ed Alkott is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Wichita, Kansas.

Mrs. A. Diveley left last night evening for Anna, Ill., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. A. W. Walter, Jr., for a few days. She will be accompanied home by her daughter, Miss Helen, who has spent the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Walter.

Something New in Divorce Cases.  
Mrs. Johnson—"Sister Martha has just got a divorce from her husband."  
Mrs. Jackson—"You don't say. How much ammonia did she use to get her?"—Boston Transcript.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS  
TO BOYS ABROADPOSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT  
ISSUED RULES WHICH  
MUST BE OBSERVED  
TO THE LETTER

## ONLY ONE TO A SOLDIER

Must Be Sent Early to Insure  
Delivery—Red Cross Must  
Issue Carton and Examine Contents

Postmaster General Burleson, no doubt, would be mighty glad if he could supply the ships to convey to the boys "over there" all the Christmas gifts that loving relatives and friends in America will be desirous of sending. It will be impossible, however, to even attempt it.

On the contrary, the postoffice department finds it necessary to place a very small limit on the size of the Christmas package that the soldier in the American Expeditionary Force may receive. It must not be larger than 3 in. by 4 in. by 9 in., and each soldier will be limited to one package, so that in case more than one person wishes to send gifts to the same soldier they must club together and put all gifts in the same package. All packages must be forwarded not later than November 20.

A new duty devolves upon the Red Cross in the Christmas package ruling of the postoffice department, which will be understood better by reading the Order to Postmasters, which is printed in full below:

## Christmas Parcels for American Expeditionary Forces in Europe

October 5, 1918.  
The War Department is desirous that each man serving in the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe shall receive a remembrance from home at Christmas time, and advises that because of transportation and distribution difficulties but one parcel of standard size and weight can be sent to each. To this end arrangements have been made with the War Department whereby Christmas parcels may be mailed to members of the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe under the following conditions:

1. Each soldier or other member of the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe will be allowed to receive one Christmas parcel for which purpose he will be furnished, through army channels, a "Christmas Parcel Label," bearing the correct name and address of the soldier or member and also the name of the person designated to mail the parcel. The labels will be prepared to serve as address labels for the parcels. The label furnished each soldier or other member of the American Expeditionary Forces will be sent by him to the person who is to mail the Christmas parcel. No Christmas parcel for members of the Expeditionary Forces in Europe will be accepted for transmission without such label.

2. All Christmas parcels must be of standard size, 3 inches by 4 inches by 9 inches, and shall not exceed 3 pounds in weight for which purpose cartons of the size prescribed will be distributed through the local Red Cross Chapters throughout the country. No person will be furnished a carton except upon presentation of a "Christmas Parcel Label" received from abroad.

3. The parcels must contain no prohibited or unmailable articles. Perishable food products are not permitted.

4. After the cartons have been filled by the persons who receive them, they shall be returned to a Red Cross receiving station where inspectors appointed by the Red Cross will carefully examine each parcel and supervise its wrapping and the affixing of the "Christmas Parcel Label" and the necessary postage stamps, the latter to be furnished by the sender of the parcel. When the parcels have thus been packed and wrapped and otherwise prepared for transmission, the Red Cross will affix to each a parcel a certificate in the form of a seal showing that the parcel has been inspected and contains no prohibited or unmailable matter. Such certificates will be accepted by the Postal Service and Army authorities as evidence that the parcels conform to the conditions prescribed and obviate the necessity of subsequent examination. The parcels must be left at the Red Cross receiving stations which will deposit them in the mails for dispatch.

5. Christmas parcels must bear the name and address of the sender and will be addressed substantially as follows:

"Christmas box Department, Port of Embarkation, Hoboken, New Jersey, For Organization American Expeditionary Forces"

Parcels so addressed will be chargeable with postage at the fourth class

or parcel-post zone rate applicable between the office where mailed and Hoboken, New Jersey, to be prepaid by stamps affixed.

6. Parcels may bear inscriptions such as "Please do not open until Christmas," "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes," and the like.

7. In order to assure the arrival of Christmas parcels abroad and the delivery to the addressees by Christmas all such parcels must be mailed on or before November 20, 1918.

The foregoing does not in any way change the instructions heretofore issued regarding the acceptance of parcels up to 7 pounds in weight for members of the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe which contain articles sent in response to the written request of a member approved by his regimental commander or other officer authorized to approve such requests.

## Christmas Parcels for Officers and Men in the United States Naval Service

The Navy Department has advised that parcels intended for officers and men on United States naval vessels in home waters and abroad or stationed at naval bases or stations in foreign waters should conform to the following conditions:

1. Parcels may not exceed 20 pounds in weight and must be so prepared for mailing that the contents can be easily examined. Substantial boxes or other suitable containers should be used.

2. The parcels must bear the name and address of the sender in the upper left corner of the address side and be addressed in the following manner:

(a) Name of addressee in full together with his rank or rating.

(b) The designation of vessel or station or naval base to which addressee is attached.

(c) "Care of Supply Officer, Fleet Supply Base, 29th St. and 3rd Ave., Bush Terminal Station, Brooklyn, New York."

(d) The words "Christmas Box" or "Christmas Parcel."

3. Parcels prepared and addressed in accordance with the foregoing will be chargeable with postage at the fourth-class or parcel-post zone rate applicable between post office where mailed and Brooklyn, New York.

4. No perishable food products other than those packed in tin containers should be enclosed in Christmas parcels.

5. Parcels may bear inscriptions such as "Please do not open until Christmas," "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes," and the like; also the names and quantities of articles inclosed together with other marks or words as may be necessary "for purpose of description" of the articles.

6. Christmas parcels for naval officers and men should be mailed as soon as possible so as to reach Bush Terminal Station not later than November 15, 1918.

A. M. DOCKERY,  
Third Assistant P. M. Gen'l.

BUYING BONDS FOR  
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Throughout the country, at the present time, there is a practice being followed of buying Liberty Bonds and Baby Bonds for Christmas presents, according to Clyde Davidson of Pittsburg, district federal labor inspector who visited the Chamber of Commerce here Wednesday. This is meeting with general approval everywhere, and particularly on the part of the Councils of Defense of the nation who have requested that only useful gifts be the rule this year.

## BROTHERHOOD VS. CLAN

By J. M. Smither

When time was dark and man was rude,  
A clan was formed of every brood.  
Then was war rife twixt clan and clan,  
And savagery the world o'er-ran.  
But man at last began to think,  
And thinking he invented ink.  
Then books he wrote the world to light,  
And so the day shone o'er the night.  
Thereby the clan was broadened out,  
And brotherhood began to sprout.  
Then o'er the world fraternal ties  
Prevailed and man began to rise.  
But here and there remained the clan  
To hamper the progress of man.  
So then arose the fight between  
Fraternal ties and clanish mein.  
And as the fittest doth survive,  
So brotherhood shall yet arrive.  
And the world is war distressed,  
By brotherhood it shall be blessed,  
For as we fight to quell the clan,  
We prove the brotherhood of man.  
And fight we must to down the Hun,  
For he's a fossil son-of-a-gun,  
A relic of the savage clan,  
And not a brother true to man.

## The First "Will"

Four eastern slaves and the right to dwell in his house "without allowing her to be put forth on the ground by any person," was the legacy of Utah, the Egyptian, to his wife, Sheta, the woman of Genshi, who is called Teta, the daughter of Sgt. Sepdy. It was drawn 1,000 years ago, and is regarded by authorities as the first will ever made.

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, the disease known as Spanish Influenza is prevalent throughout the country and there is danger of the said disease becoming epidemic in this community, and

WHEREAS, Arthur Capper, the Governor of the State of Kansas, has issued his proclamation closing all places of public assembly throughout the State, and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Health of the State of Kansas, the County Board of Health of Cherokee County, and the local Board of Health of the City of Baxter Springs, have all joined in the recommendation that all public assemblies be discontinued for a period for the protection of the public health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, E. L. Wright, Mayor of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, do hereby proclaim the closing of all places of public assembly within said City from the 11th day of October, 1918, until further notice, and by the power vested in me as such Mayor do hereby order that all schools, theatres, picture shows, Sunday schools, churches, lodges and other places of public meeting or assembly within the said City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, be and remain closed from on the said 11th day of October, 1918, until further notice. I further order that no meeting of any kind including more than fifteen persons be held in said City from said 11th day of October, 1918, until the same shall be permitted by proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as such Mayor and caused the seal of said City to be affixed hereto.

E. L. WRIGHT, Mayor.  
Attest: W. P. HOWARD,  
(Seal) City Clerk.

## WOUNDED DOUGHBOYS

FIND HELPING HANDS  
EXTENDED IN FRANCE

Common Fellowship of Allied Troopers on Western Front Is Shared by Yankees, Says Wales

By HENRY G. WALES,  
International News Service Staff Correspondent

With the American Army, Sept. 15 (by mail).—During Marshal Foch's drive on Soissons at the end of July last, the 51st Scots Division, which was thrown into the line south of the sector held by the American Second Division, passed up to the front part of the way along the same road, down which ambulances loaded with wounded Doughboys were passing.

The Scots never failed to give a cheer at the ambulances dashed past, and whenever the occupants were not too badly hit they raised up on their stretchers and gave an answering wave to the Scotch.

The Scots were white with dust from their long ride in motor trucks from the British front, and the American ambulance drivers were covered with a veneer of grit from the roads, owing to the tremendous amount of traffic that passed continually day and night.

In Villers Cotterets, where wounded were placed in Red Cross railway trains to be taken to base hospitals, one could see wounded Doughboys hobbling across the station yard, supported by less badly wounded Moroccans, Algerians, Senegalese or French line troops. Or again it would be an American and a Scot assisting a wounded French colonial to the railway cars.

Many of the men were hit in the feet by the new type of German shrapnel which bursts on contact with the ground and scatters the force of the explosion straight out over the surface of the surrounding terrain. Those whose feet and lower legs were hit removed their boots and puttees and sox and walked barefooted. Bright red splashes of blood showed vividly through the white bandages which had been applied at the evacuation hospitals.

I saw one American youth who had been hit in the heel and was walking on his toes, leading a Moroccan who had been blinded by shrapnel and whose head was swathed in bandages except for two slits cut at the nostrils that he might breathe. The American could not talk to his French

WOUNDED MEN  
ARE HOLDING BACK

First Day's Liberty Loan Drive Shows Baxter Far Behind With Town's Financial Men Lagging

(Statement by Liberty Loan Com.)

The story of the first day's Liberty Loan drive in Baxter Springs is best told in figures. There were 354 citizens notified to appear on the first day to make their subscriptions. Of that number 158 did appear, leaving 196 who for some reason or other failed to put in their appearance.

Of the 158 who did appear and subscribe there were 100 of them laboring men or small salaried men who subscribed \$50 each, all that was allotted to them. There were 27 who subscribed \$100 each. This leaves only 31 men who subscribed over \$100 each.

In other words the men who have subscribed thus far and thereby shown their patriotism are the men who must sacrifice to take the bonds—the small men financially—while the big fellows financially are not toeing the line.

Nineteen men, to whom were allotted \$25,000, refused to meet their apportionment and thus help the laboring man raise the city's quota of \$254,000.

Instead of raising \$73,750, the amount allotted to subscribers the first day, only \$25,800 was the first day's total.

The city executive committee augmented by numerous other citizens, voted Wed. to make personal calls upon the men who refuse to do their portion, and voted also to have published the names of all men who do not appear in answer to the summons or who fail to subscribe their quota after appearing.

This committee did make two calls Thurs. morning. In each instance the man was asked to subscribe \$2,000, which was believed to be his share. One of these men volunteered to make this subscription and the other has promised to report to the committee again prior to the books being closed tonight (Friday). The committee has voted to make numerous calls and has asked the Council of Defense to co-operate with it. The committee has thus far made three calls, the first call resulting in a \$1,000 subscription.

ANOTHER LIBERTY BOND  
SHOW WINDOW

The spirit of the hour is artistically portrayed in the show window of another of our patriotic merchants.

An inclined field of white rising to a height on the window paneling, is bordered with blue and white chrysanthemums. Amid the back field in full blown red "mums" is the word "Buy." On the descending plane below in the same color is set up "U. S. 4th Liberty Bond." Suspended in mid air is an array of Dorothy Dodd shoes in the latest shades and styles. Above in the back ground are hung the pictures in life colors of President Wilson and General Pershing.

This window is "straight American and nothing else." It can be seen at the Barnes Mercantile Co.'s Store.

CARPENTERS AND  
LABORERS WANTED

A call reached the Chamber of Commerce Thurs. for carpenters at 70c an hour and common laborers at 40c an hour to work at Camp Meade, Maryland, where additional cantonment construction is being done. There will be a shipment of these men to Camp Meade on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Free transportation.

Men for Nitro, W. Va., may be recruited also until tomorrow night. Common labor gets 40c an hour and free transportation from Cherryvale, Kan. Whites and negroes are both wanted.

## Lay of the Last Men.

"The Lay of the Last Minstrel" may have caused some apprehension in its day, but were the lay of the last men to be announced in ours there would certainly be a panic.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

brother in arms, but he led him to the Red Cross train, helped him into a seat, took one beside him and sat there, holding the sightless man's hand for hours until the train was filled and started away.